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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the Statewide results of the September Cattle on Feed Survey.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

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Director*

Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 12 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on September 1, 2008 totaled 180,000 head, 12 percent below the September 1, 2007 inventory. The cattle on feed inventory was unchanged from the number on feed August 1, 2008. Placements of cattle in State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 45,000 head, down 6 percent from August 2007 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during August totaled 44,000 head, down 3,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during August, unchanged from August 2007.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.0 million head on September 1, 2008. The inventory was 3 percent below September 1, 2007 and 9 percent below September 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.06 million, 3 percent below 2007 and 10 percent below 2006. Net placements were 2.01 million head. This is the second lowest placements for the month of August since the series began in 1996. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 365,000, 600-699 pounds were 410,000, 700-799 pounds were 566,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 720,000. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.88 million, 9 percent below 2007 and 9 percent below 2006. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 49,000 during August, 2 percent below 2007 and 17 percent below 2006.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States 2007-2008 ^{1/}

State	September 1, 2007	August 1, 2008	September 1, 2008		
			Number	As % of 2007	As % of August
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	348	357	362	104	101
California	530	515	505	95	98
Colorado	850	750	770	91	103
Idaho	205	180	180	88	100
Iowa	490	475	470	96	99
Kansas	2,140	2,010	2,090	98	104
Nebraska	1,930	1,920	1,960	102	102
New Mexico	131	164	167	127	102
Oklahoma	310	290	305	98	105
South Dakota	175	170	165	94	97
Texas	2,740	2,590	2,580	94	100
Washington	148	133	138	93	104
Other States	305	315	305	100	97
United States	10,302	9,869	9,997	97	101

^{1/} Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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